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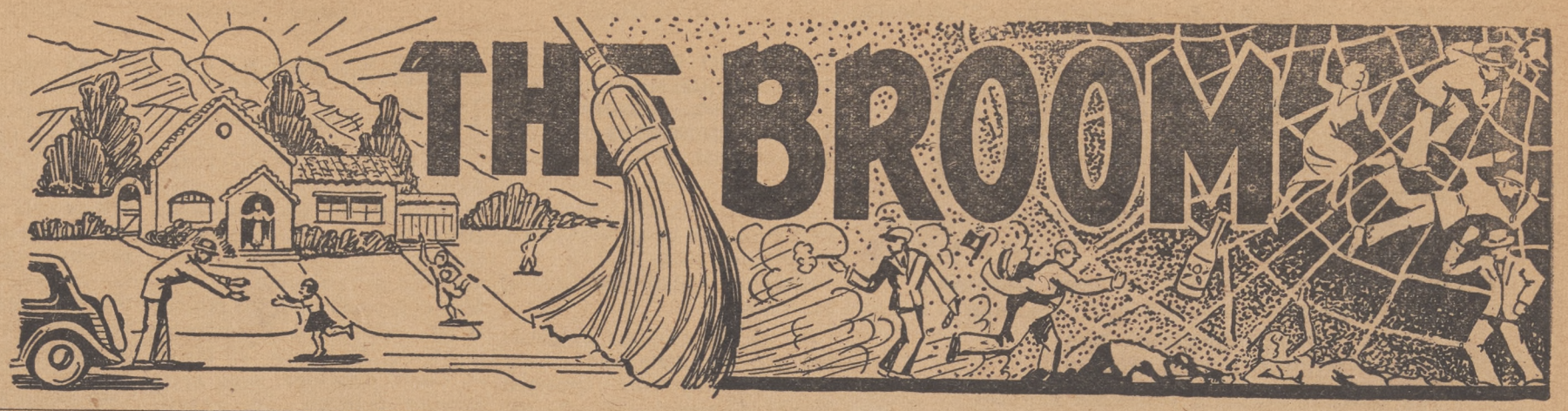

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Experiences of A Jail - Bird

By C. Leon de Aryan

THE SECRETS of LIFE

In the first chapter of this series of installments, I told you to take 10 minutes and count each second in it, to accustom yourself to that disclipine which brings out patience and persistence in us, You must do it if you want to follow the successive experiments and discover for yourself the secrets of life. A second is a long time, after counting several of them and comparing the count with a watch or clock, so you don't count too fast, you will feel quite a lot of discomfort in keeping up, patiently, while you continue to watch the count of the seconds. The reason for it is that the respective brain cells which are employed in watching and doing the counting have not been exercised for such a prolonged task, and still—only 10 minutes, 600 seconds, but, my, what a long time it is when you must watch every second go by and keep the rest of your faculties and activities of mind and body on the leash, to hold them still and quiet so they won't interfer with your attention, centered upon the slow passage of time and the count of seconds, at correct intervals.

One, then, discovers that a second is composed of an unlimited number of instants; a second is not just one flash but a line, a repetition of instants till the second passes as registered by the tick of the clock. And you will discover that during the passage of that second, in time, you have all sorts of impressions, feelings, ideas, impulses, all crowding to detract your attention and interrupt your persistance which is directed at keeping up the count.

So you learn how much thought and consciousness and life is being crowded and exercised in a few seconds and finally you get so tired and so strained from watching those seconds, and restraining the other impulses to keep them from breaking your count, you imagine that time will never end and you'll never get to the end of the 10 minutes, 600 seconds, to be free to go about your usual affairs. So there lies the key: habit, the habitual is natural to you, the unusal is a strain: on the nerves and brain cells, even on the mscles—they abhor the rest, the quiet, the stillness, but they MUST be brought under perfect control if you want to see what lies in eternity, in the dark intervals between the instants.

A second is composed of numberless instants in consciousness, but even between the flashes of instant consciousness there still is another type of awareness, there lies ETERNITY.

It is like with a microscope, the field one surveys is localized in space, but as one magnifies the APPEARANCE of that minute space there one finds a whole new world of particles and activities in that limited space, and intelligent observation reveals to you the INFINITUDE of space in the interstices between parts and particles. Once you reach infinitude in space, and eternity in time, it takes just one more step to discover the cause of life itself. But to do so your instrument must be absolutely clean, clear and your consciousness and conscience at peace and in harmony with the Cause itself. That is why in all religions—philosophical schools, the pupil must first purify the body, undergo a regime of self-discipline, so that the particles composing his blood and brain be CONGENIAL to the deep secrets about to be noticed and contacted, othewise the terrific impact of this energy which is LIFE, may cripple and ruin the delicate mechanism of the brain and the person become "cockeyed, wildeyed" or actually mentally deranged.

Knowing the full regime of it and having nothing else to do in jail, I am compelled to watch time pass by and take a plunge into eternity a thousand times a day and what I discover there, what is revealed to me, gives me comfort. Unwittingly I have been forced into a position where I am charging my whole mortal frame with that energy which spells LIFE itself and the insight it gives me to display.

Scraps of Paper

WASHINGTON,— As Edgar Snow reports in his magazine article cabled from India this week, we can't expect to fight both the Japs and the Indians at the same time.

The British and ourselves have done a lot of talking about a free world and some scraps of paper have been signed. They still remain scraps of paper. Roosevelt says they apply everywhere in the world. Churchill says they do not apply to India.

—Raymond Clapper,

Freedom of India Urged by Lakeside C. of C.

Addressing the Lakeside Chamber of Commerce with one of the most dynamic talks which has been the pleasure of the organization to hear, the Honorable R. Lal Singh, Member of the National Congress expounded the vital points of the subjugation of India, last Monday evening.

The Hon. Singh's speech was entitled, "Wake Up United Nations". In part he said, "The Indian people have not lost sight of what has happened in Europe. Nazi imperialism has struck down the independence of country after country in Europe, and the effect has not been lost on us. Its counterpart in the Far East has turned Greater Asia into a battlefield. Wherever the beast has gone, it has enslaved whole peoples, annexed their territories, and destroyer their cultural heritages. And it has transformed their countries into roadways for its conquering armies for further aggressions.

"Today, however, it stands balked in its conquering career by the indomitable resistance of the Soviet people whose independence and civilization it has dared to attack. Should the Nazi marauders by any remote chance penetrate through Arabia or past the Caspian to the borders of India, I can assure you our four hundred million people will resolutely defend their land and their freedom.

"Not alone we of India, but the entire world is deeply moved by the tremendous sacrifice already paid by the Soviet armies. But admiration is not enough. Gratitude in the shape of a Second Front is long overdue. In fact, forgetting gratitude, and considering the matter purely as one of self-preservation, the Second Front in Europe must quickly be opened, must be launched without an hour's delay.

"I beg you to remember that we can mean the ebb of successes enjoyed by the Triple-Alliance. I appeal to you to recognize that we mean the shortening or the lengthening of this cruel war, depending on whether we are armed and free, or defenseless slaves. We can mean the saving of the genius of your youth who now are spread over the globe. Along with you, we can and will take the offensive against the enemy.

"If the Atlantic Charter, which is the spiritual base of the United Nations, is not to become cinders in this global conflagration, if freedom-loving peoples are to find an enduring common purpose, if India with her vast material and spiritual resources is to be fully utilized in common with Great Britain, the USSR, China and the U. S. A. and the Nations everywhere to whom liberty, justice and democracy are their life's blood, then let there be no betrayal of high hopes, no reactionary perversion of proposed principles, no artful, cynical diplomacy.

"There must be, brother, a courageous, forthright, faithful affirmation that the United Nations do mean emphatically National independence and self-determination for India in common with the peoples of the World."

On motion of Pheris Swearengin of Lakeside, the following resolution was adopted by unanimous vote of the members, and ordered sent to the President of the United States by the Lakeside Chamber of Commerce:

WHEREAS: to achieve victory in the War over the Axis powers, this war must be and continue to be a peoples war for the liberation of all peoples now under the Axis yoke; and

WHEREAS: the present situation in India is providing propoganda for the Axis since Indian leaders are being arrested and Indian workers killed in the current dispute over the freedom of India; and

WHEREAS: a united 400,000,000 people in India would be of immeasurable help to the United Nations; and

WHEREAS such a nation, cooperating with the United Nations would be another great force in the opening of a second front so that Hitler could be crushed this year; and

WHEREAS: this can be obtained only through applying the same principles of the Atlantic Charter to the Indian people as to all other peoples; therefore be it

RESOLVED: That the Lakeside Chamber of Commerce go on record Requesting the President of these United States to use his good office to insist that Great Britain extend the Atlantic Charter to India. We recommend that this be done immediately by submitting a 4-point program to Prime Minister Churchill:

1. The immediate release of Indian Leaders.
2. Reopening Negotiations with Indian Leaders.
3. Recognition of a provisional Indian Government.
4. Putting an end to repressive Measures against Indian people.

ADOPTED: September 14 by The Lakeside, California, Chamber of Commerce. —Lakeside Farmer.

Martinique Priest Tells How Rum Replaces Gasoline

MONTREAL, Que.,— After a journey of more than 5,000 miles, the Rev. Paul Bergeron, chaplain to the Guides and Scouts of France and pastor of Ajoupa-Bouillon, French Martinique, has arrived in Montreal.

A native of Quebec, Father Bergeron is home for a rest after nine years service at Martinique. He has only two white families among his parishoners.

Father Bergeron said that to make up for a lack of gasoline advantageous use is being made of a "white rum", after a few small changes have been made in carburetors and the gasoline pump. Cars operate just as well with this "white rum" as with gasoline, Father Bergeron states. Another advantage is that its use provides a ready local market for large supplies which have been accumulated.—Southern Cross.

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Pay Boost For Postal Dept. Employees

LOS ANGELES,— (Special to Broom)— Senator Sheridan Downey, member of the Senate Civil Service Committee, predicted the speedy adoption of legislation providing for a pay boost for employees of the Post Office Department. Downey is leading the fight to grant this increase. He introduced a bill to grant a 15% increase to postal workers, but was not sucessful in bringing it before the Senate for action.

The Bill being considered will provide an increase of 10% and carries a clause for payment of overtime at the rate of time and one half for hours worked in excess of 48 per week.

Postal workers have expressed dissatisfaction with this legislation on the grounds that it is not in proportion to the rise in the cost of living. However, as it is their first increase in over seventeen years, further opposition is unlikely and general wage freezing imminent.

Editor's Note— The Broom has consistently advocated an increase of wages for postal employees, and is happy to know of even any increase being guaranteed.

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13TH YEAR BEING ENTERED BY THE BROOM

With this issue of The Broom, readers will note that the size of the pages have been reduced as well as the size of body type. but there is considerably more reading matter, nevertheless over the amount that has been appearing since the issue of July 27th, when the paper was cut half in two to reduce production costs. The amount of paper consumed in each issue will remain the same as it has been since that date for the time being at least,—but the size of the pages will in all probabilty remain the same size for the full fiscal year, more pages being added if necessary.

Thus The Broom starts its Thirteenth year for the fight for a free press and a free people in a free land.

And at the opening of this thirteenth year, we hope that it will prove to be a most lucky one for our country—that we may see at least a pronounced turning point that will mean unquestioned victory for these good old United States of America in the very, very near future. We also hope that early in this thirteenth year, that Mr. de Aryan, former editor and founder of The Broom, will be cleared of the charges now hanging over him and that that decision will be rendered in a manner that will allow the statement, "he came out with flying colors".

Thirteen—considered unlucky—still no adult life is complete without it—no newspaper can escape it and live to be fourteen years old. And so time rolls on.

It is fitting at this juncture to again thank those friends who have so staunchly stood by The Broom and supported it for its twelve years of life. And still further appreciation is expressed to those advertisers who are here again starting it on its way past the thirteenth milesone.

Birthday Gifts Mighty Fine

By C. Leon de Aryan

I have read Roy O. Akers' editorial under above caption. I must thank you all who have sent me the money in response to my request for birthday presents. It did enable Akers to get out The Broom even though I am no longer doing my usual work to bring in the money and pay the bills.

I believe you will continue to send in presents for my next birthday now since I do not propose to give in. I, for one, continue to stand for the original concept of American liberty, and as you see, I am not an idle talker, I keep my promises, I hold my ground and go to jail for the principle involved.

I have turned over the editorial responsibility to Akers, and the ownership to my son Fred, that I may be free to conduct my court case. I am neither worried nor afraid. This is your paper, your country as well as mine. If you will do your part as conscientiously as I do mine, we will win gloriously, if you fail—you will take the consequences—for I am just one in 160 millions—but I make my life count.

My son David has been damaged more than I. David had a scholarship to go Redlands college—now he is using his savings after working all summer to feed his mother and brother, while I am in jail and will be in Washington on the court case.

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State of California, County of San Diego, ss.

Before me, a Notary Public in and for the State and county aforesaid, personally appeared Fredric de Aryan, who, having been duly sworn according to law, deposes and says that he is the Owner of the Broom, and that the following is, to the best of his knowledge and belief, a true statement of the ownership, management (and if a daily paper, the circulation), etc., of the aforesaid publication for the date shown in the above caption, required by the Act of August 24, 1912, as amended by the Act of March 3, 1933, embodied in section 537, Postal Laws and Regulations, printed on the reverse of this form, to-wit:

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(My commission expires Feb. 13th, 1946).

Salt Helps Prevent Hot Weather Ills

The Health League of Canada is directing attention to an article in the current C.I.L. Oval which states that in order to protect the health of war workers and to aid them in combating the ill effects of summer heat, the practice is now widespread of equipping munitions plants with salt tablets in handy dispensers near every drinking fountain. The importance of salt in the fight against summer heat and possible prostration cannot be over-estimated, the article states, and most of the ill effects of exertion in hot weather are caused by the prodigious loss of salt from the body through sweating. Even the condition commonly referred to as "water poisoning" is caused not so much by the over-consumption of water, as is generally thought, but rather by the serious depletion of chlorides in the body.

While office workers can make up their depletion of chlorides with the salt normally consumed at meal time, workers in factories need extra amounts of this necessary mineral at frequent intervals during working hours.

These little tablets are easily washed down with a mouthful of water and their location near the drinking fountains serves as a reminder that a thirsty man needs salt as well as water. There are approximately 5,000 of these dispensers in use throughout Canadian factories and it is estimated that an additional 1,000 will be installed this year for the relief of workers in our new war industries. Each dispenser holds 1,500 tablets and the tablets which will be consumed in the next few months in the fight against summer heat can be measured in tons. —Toronto (Canada) Weekly News.

Editor's Note— Would you care to comment on this article, Dr. White? It would be appreciated.

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President Rooselvelt's Doctrine That He Has The Power To Set Aside The Law Must Be Repudiated By Congress And The People Unless We Are Ready For Dictatorship In America.

By Sen. Robert M. LaFollette, Jr. In his newspaper, The Progressive

Unless the doctrine enunciated in the President's Labor Day message to Congress is challenged, we have formally entered upon a dark, grim chapter of our national history when the already uncertain light of democracy may go out, perhaps never to be rekindled.

The President's message was more than a threat. He claimed for himself the power to override a law enacted by Congress with or without its consent. He did not come to Congress asking for the necessary authority to deal further with the problem of inflation. In his own words, he simply came to "consult" with Congress. He flatly asserted he had the power to "act" whether Congress gave him specific authority or not.

To grasp the full import of this declaration it must be remembered that in conferring upon the executive power to control prices, Congress this very year expressly prohibited the fixing of agricultural prices below certain standards. The President now claims he has the power to act contrary to express laws passed by the Congress only a few months ago.

Decision Is Up To The People

This false doctrine, if established, would mean that all laws enacted by Congress and signed by the President could be modified or repealed by him alone, at least in time of war. It would mean that the President needs no enabling legislation from Congress to draft boys 18 and 19 years old. It would mean that he can set his own tax rates without reference to Congress. It would mean he can pass a law by calling in his stenographer and dictating an executive order.

It is true, he indicated that he preferred to consult with Congress rather than undertake amendment of the Price Control Law entirely on his own authority, but that is a concession to the form of demoracy, not the substance. It is democracy exercised only by sufferance of the President. It exists so long as he tolerates it, no longer.

Whether this doctrine stands or not depends in the last analysis upon the view taken by the great mass of public opinion. The President's message recognized that, for at the same time it declared this doctrine, it sought to undermine the public's faith in Congress by unfairly misrepresenting the record of Congress in meeting the national emergency and chargnig it with neglect and delay in vital phases of national policy taxes and price control.

Undermining Prestige Of Congress

There has long been a sinister campaign under way in the country to undermine the prestige of Congress and build up the power of the executive branch of the government. It found a ready expression in the hulla-baloo raised over the "X" cards extended to members of Congress, like other governemnt officials, under the temporary, makeshift gasoline rationing program inaugurated in the East this spring.

Nothing was said about the thousands of "X" cards issued to officials of the executive branch of the government, but the press was filled for weeks with a great hue and cry over 500 members of Congress who were likewise eligible.

The misrepresentation of the proposed extension of the government pension system was another example of this insidious campaign against Congress as an institution of government. Nothing was said about the benefits proposed or already being received by those in the executive branch.

The Labor Day message of the President, however, marks the first time that the President has lent the dignity of his great office to this campaign. He accused Congress of delay on tax legislation and price control "that has now reached the point of danger to our whole economy".

A Look At The Record

Let us look at the record and see who is responsible for the delay on the tax bill. The attack on Pearl Harbor was made Dec. 7, 1941. It is and has long been customary for Congress to wait upon the recommendations of the Treasury Department before initiating tax legislation. This is a courtesy extended to the executive branch both because the executive has desired it and because it simplifies the task of writing degislation. The record shows that it was the President's own Treasury Department, not Congress, that delayed the consideration of taxes until March, three months after Pearl Harbor.

Ever since that date the Treasury has been changing its position on important questions, thus tending to slow up action on the tax bill. For example, in March when Treasury officials appeared before the Ways & Means Committee of the House of Representatives, they recommended an individual income tax scheme based on exemptions of $1,500 for married couples and $750 for single persons.

Then two months later they reconsidered and came back with another recommendation that the exemptions be reduced to $1,200 and $600, with the exemption for dependents from $400 to $300. This month they changed their minds again and asked the Senate Finance Committee to reduce them even further to $1,000, $500, and $250 respectively.

Administration's Confusion

In March, Secretary Morgenthau opposed compulsory savings, but in September he and his experts suddenly appeared before the Senate Finance Committee with a brand new plan for a "spending tax".

Actually the House Ways and Means Committee and the Senate Finance Committee have worked at a killing pace in attempting to frame a tax bill which will partially meet the most staggering fiscal problem ever to confront a government.

If there has been undue delay, it has not ben caused by Congress' neglect. It has been caused by the confusion and the uncertainty of the President's own represntatives on the aims and the requirements of the new tax program.

On price control of agricultural commodities there has been an honest difference of judgment between the Congress and the President. It is not a disagreement over whether or not agricultural prices shall be controlled. Everyone is agreed that they shall be controlled. The disagreement has been on the question of the exact level at which the controls shall be put into operation.

Congress, after extensive study, decided last Spring that price ceilings should not be imposed on agricultural commodities until they reach prices equivalent to 110 per cent of parity. The President's own Secretary of Agriculture appeared before a Congressional committee last Fall and justified the 110 per cent level with these words:

"There is a perfectly practical and obvious reason for stipulating that no ceiling be imposed on farm products at less than 110 per cent of parity, rather than exactly at parity. As every farmer knows, farm products' prices fluctuate every day . . . If ceilings were placed exactly at parity, the daily fluctuations in the market would necessarily be between parity and some lower figure, and as a result, farmers could not possibly average parity.

"The real purpose of restricting ceilings to a point somewhat above parity is to make it reasonably sure that all farmers will have an opportunity to get parity. After all, it happens to be the expressed policy of Congress and the Administration to achieve and maintain prices at parity."

FDR Switches His Position

Congress, after due consideration, adopted the limits recommended by the President's Secretary of Agriculture. The President took issue with this decision in April but he waited until Labor Day to renew his request for a change in the Price Control Law. In the face of this record he accused Congress of dangerous delay and threatened to act himself if Congress does not accept his conclusion.

In his recent message he recognized the inadequacy of the parity formula in measuring the fair price which the farmer is entitled to because it does not cover the tremendous increase in the cost of farm labor in recent years. The labor cost is a part of the farmer's cost of production which has diminished the farmer's net return.

The President said the cost of labor should be included in computing parity, but later in the same message he urged that the present method of the Bureau of Agricultural Economics should be continued under "the law as it stands today". The "law as it stands to-

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Equal Sacrifice Inflation Bar

Equality of sacrifice, which is a sound principle in any emergency, would prevent inflation in the present wartime emergency. Inflation could not occur if all groups shared alike in the shortage of civilian goods.

Inflation is caused by pressure of demand, in terms of money, upon a limited supply of goods. When any group insists that its income in dollars shall be jacked up and up, so that it can have just as much goods as ever, just as much living as ever, in spite of the wartime shortage of civilian goods, it is in reality trying to avoid making any sacrifice.

If enough groups succeed in getting their money incomes jacked up in this way, the pressure of demand upon limited supply will result in inflation, in spite of any and all attempts to fix price ceilings. If some groups succeed in getting just as much goods as ever, other groups that cannot get their money incomes jacked up will suffer just that much greater privation.

Under true equality of sacrifice, in which all groups would share alike in the civilian-goods shortage, buying power pressure would be relieved in proportion to the shortage of goods. Those who are seeking to prevent inflation should give attention to the principle of sacrifice.— Nebr. Union Farmer.

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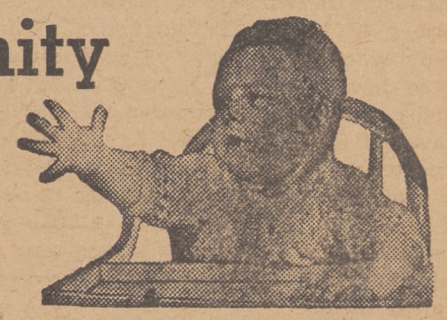
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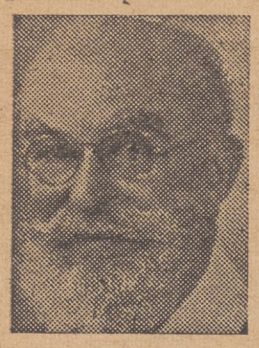

HEALTH-GERMS

"YOUTH" is a state of mind—
not a time in life.

By George Starr White, M. D.

FRESH CORN A GOOD FOOD

Sweet corn is one of the best vegetables, if eaten soon after it is picked. When first picked, it is excellent eaten off the cob without any cooking.

If not "just picked", and a little "tough", it can be husked and the ears dropped into a pot of boiling water and allowed to remain there not more than thirty seconds to a minute. If cooked for a longer time, much of its natural value and sweetness is destroyed.

If the "shell" or skin of the kernel isn't broken before it is swallowed, the kernel is not digested, but leaves the body as it entered and may cause uneasiness in the intestins. Every kernel should be well masticated. But the fact is that a great number of the "grains" are not broken when eating the corn from the cob

Now there is to be had at most house-furnishing stores, what is known as a "corn-creamer". It is a knife with "saw teeth" in it on one edge; and with the back edge turned over at right-angles, so as to act as a scraper that follows the cutting teeth and "milks" or puches, the "corn-cream" out while leaving the kernel skins in the cob. This is the ideal way to get the "milk of the corn" with a minimum of waste.

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day" does not include the cost of farm labor in the parity formula.

The treatment which Congress has prescribed for agricultural commodities under the Emergency Price Control Act was not discriminatory it was a sincere and conscientious effort to give the American farmer the first fair and equal chance he has had in 25 years to enter the nation's market places on even terms with the manufacturer.

Farm Income Still Lags

The fact that the general public in the urban communities has become accustomed in that long period to unjustly low farm prices, has made them no easier for the farmer to bear. Through the years when city people enjoyed these low prices for farm products, the farmers experienced waves of foreclosures that swept repeatedly through our agricultural areas, thus forcing thousands of hard-working farm families off the land and into the cities where sub-standard living or charity awaited them.

These low farm prices in past years contributed to the phenomenal increase of farm tenancy in the nation. They produced a steady deterioration of the farmers' standard of living. Today farm prices have risen to only 107 per cent of parity.

Since 1939 corporate profits have risen 169 per cent. Wages and salaries have risen 32 per cent. Farm prices have risen 29 per cent.

Our farmers are just as patriotic as any group of American citizens. They are willing to do their share. They are willing to sacrifice as much as any group. But they object to being kept down while other elements in the population are enjoying a much greater slice of the national income.

Doctrine Must Be Rejected

Nevertheless, it is the duty of Congress to give impartial study to the President's message despite the threat which it contains. Likewise, it should act promptly and without undue delay. only thus can we maintain the war effort.

Above all, however, Congress for the sake of democracy cannot give to the President blanket authority. It must make certain that the terms and conditions of the exercise of power are definitely specified. In performing its function as a coordinate branch of government, Congress must make plain that it repudiates the doctrine contained in the Labor Day message, that the President has the power alone to modify, make, or repeal the laws of the land.

Think what you will of your individual Congressman or Senator, but as an American citizen do not be betrayed into repudiation of Congress as a representative institution in our democracy because if that ever happens, you are at the end of the road to fascism and dictatorship.

Jackass Age—

'SMACK DAB IN MIDDLE OF JACKASS AGE', SAYS SOUTHERN SENATOR

WASHINGTON,— Sen. Ellison D. (Cotton Ed) Smith (D-SC), having made a serious study of world problems, concludes "we are in one h—— of a mess—right smack dab in the middle of a jackass age."

Smith shook his head sadly, pulled his walrus moustache, and allowed as how:

"Congress had detailed powers to the administration until we no longer have any 'tail to de'.

"The administration has curtailed production of cotton until the country no longer has any 'tail to cur'.

"If there could be anything the matter with us, I don't know what it could be."

Smith, who just returned to the capital after what he termed a six-weeks "fishing trip" to his home state, elaborated on his conclusions as follows:

"We are in one h—— of a mess because we haven't paid attention to what has been going on behind our backs. Here the administration has suddenly sneaked up behind us, stuck a gun to our heads, and said: 'By Oct. 1 or your life'. Now how can anybody concentrate on legislation to stabilize the cost of living or anything else with somebody bigger than they are, threatening them all the time?

"My God, but we are in one h—— of a mess!

"We are right smack dab in the middle of a jackass age. For many years I have been advocating a return to the horse and buggy days. Now we have sunk below even that. We have now reached the jackass, spelled j-a-c-k-a-s-s, age. A return to the horse-and-buggy days would certainly be an improvement over the mess we are in now. If they don't drive us to horse and buggies with gasoline rationing, maybe we can get there some other way."

And with that, Smith leaned back in his chair, shook his head sadly, waved his hand and indicated that the interview was over.

"But, Senator, don't you think there is some good, somewhere?" a reporter asked.

"You're d—— right there's some good, but it's not in the administration!"

U. S. Aid Visioned to Repay British Losses In Far East

LONDON,— Prospect of the United States sharing the tremendous burden of compensating British Far-Eastern investors for capital losses in carrying out the scorched-earth policy was raised by the Financial News. The British government, the paper reports, has stated its intention of "giving what assistance it can" after the war in providing compensation to companies in Malaya and Burma for damage caused as a result of the Jap occupation.

Although complaining that the offer 'is subject to important qualifications and therefore cannot be regarded as a satisfactory acceptance of responsibility," Financial News welcomes it as a step toward acceptance of the principle that the burden should at least be shared by the British government, if not by the empire as a whole.

Co-operation Suggested

"It may even be suggested," the paper continues, "that the war damage sustained in pursuance of the scorched-earth policy should concern the United Nations as a whole and that co-operative measures should be taken to provide compensation.

"President Roosevelt's new principle of inter-Allied aid is to the effect that equality of effort is obtained if each of the United Nations devotes an equal proportion of its national income to the war. It would be logical to extend this principle to capital losses incurred in carrying out the scorched-earth policy."

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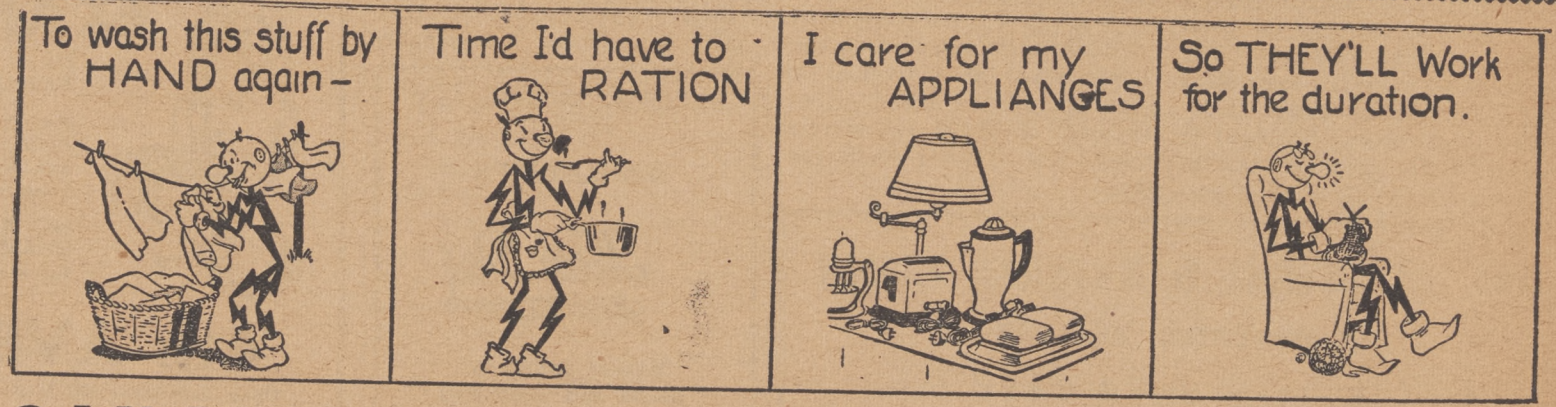

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